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Miss. Edith Hartzell
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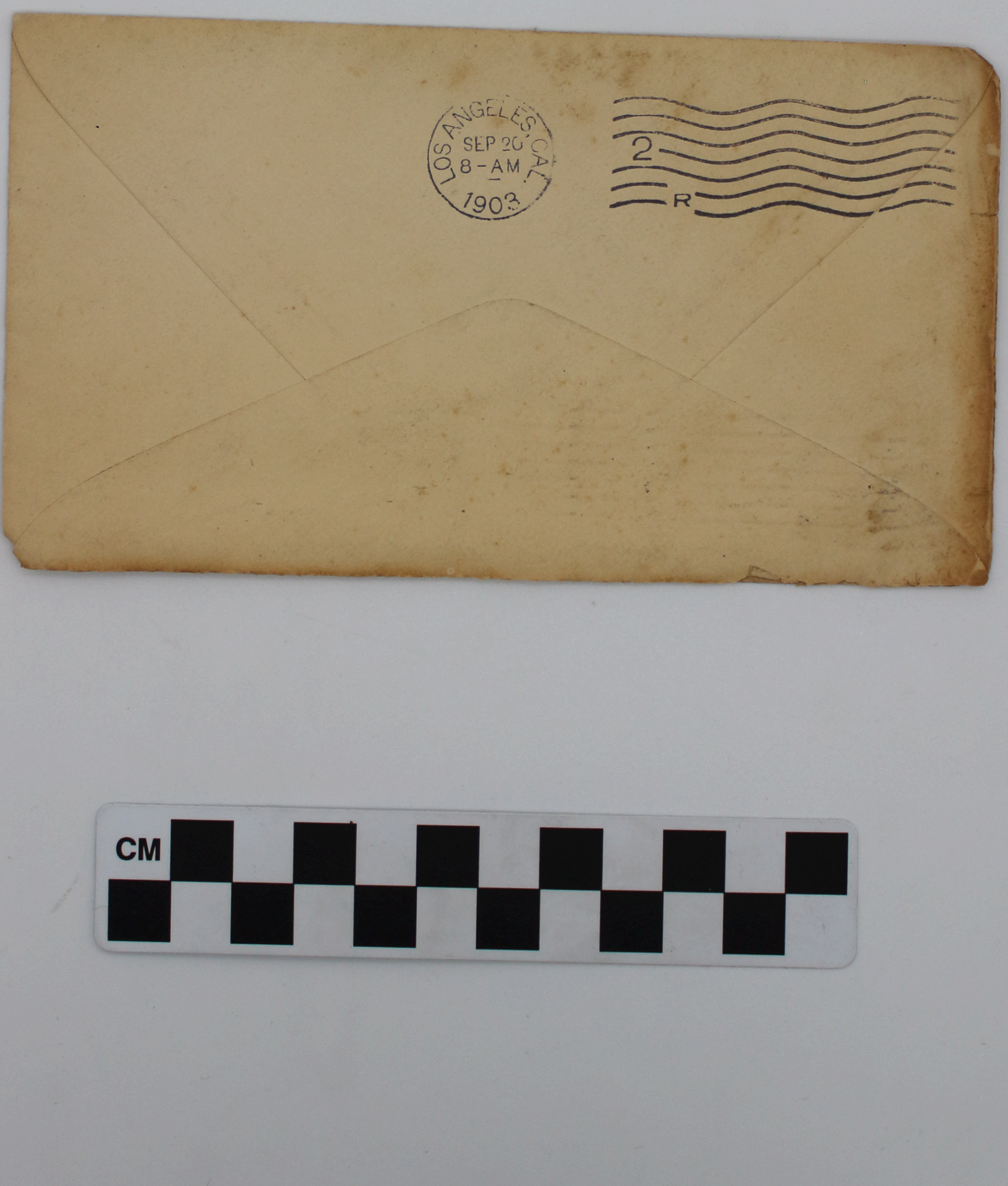
C/o. "Lynhurst"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Dear Sister Edith.

I received the bill book in honor of my 33rd anniversary all O.K. and am verry much pleased with it knowing where it came from & the giver makes it still more of a relic, and I hope you will accept my many thanks for it. although you shouldent of bothered sending me anything for I didint expect nothing at all. our Father sent me a nice 50¢ Red necktie from Cleveland Tenn. & Sarah gave me a nice white shirt to wear on my day off, so you see I wasent forgotten after all as I expected. Pa also wrote a letter & asked how you & Katie & Jennie

are getting along. he is in
McDonald Tenn at Lauderbacks
Springs in the Mountains &
said that he is thinking very
strongly of makeing a chang,
& going to Oregon. so if he
does he wont be such a
great ways from you. infact
half of our family will be
in the far west. he said that
he is not married & is as
free as the birds of the air.
we are all pretty well but
Mother L. and she is bothered
with her old trouble again.
it has been quite a while
since she has been bothered
with it before & today she
feels quite miserable. Lizzie
is washing for us today. and
yesterday all the schools opend
& Emma started to High School
her first term.
yesterday we had a big fire

[illegible] town in a 9 story big block
& over 1200 principally girls
and women worked there & the
fire started in the basement & smoke
poured up the elevator shafts
in dense volumes & filled the
entire building & when the first
fire companies got there every
window in the building was
filled with persons ready to jump
but they all obeyed the orders of
the fireman & every one was saved.
we was called down town but
after they got all the people out
they soon got the fire under
control & we were sent home
again & dident get to work. You
will perhaps see an account
of it in your papers there
before you get this.
we are haveing more steady
hot weather now than we have
had all Summer & some of
the trees are nearly bare of

their leaves & things have begun to look quite fall like.

The Baby is getting to be a fine big fellow Thursday he will be 2 1/2 years old & he can talk quite a bit, he is trying now to put words togeather & it ~~is~~ is funny to hear him talk.

I hope you are in good health again ere this, & take care of your self. I don't know of anything more to say so will say good by & write soon. as ever your

Bro. Archie.